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## Storyteller visits

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"Words can't change the world, but they can make change for the better less impossible."

Austrian author Renate Welsh spoke many words to the several dozens gathered in the Founders' Gallery last Wednesday night, but her message to aspiring storytellers rang clear: listen, read, write, re-write, and above all, experience life.

"One cannot write about harvesting beets without feeling it in your spine, the cracks in your hands" she explained from the podium, poetic gems of English emerging occasionally with the ease of a native speaker.

The author of over 40 children's books including *Das Lufthaus* and *Julie auf dem Fussballplatz*, Welsh visited Guilford as part of a United States tour sponsored by the Austrian Cultural Institute. Her three fold visit began with an informal talk in German with students of Guilford and UNCG at Just One More coffee Tues. afternoon. During the discussion, she offered personal advice and criticism regarding stories written in German by fourth-year majors Willie Repoley and Lisa Lundeen.

The next day, Welsh hosted a short writing workshop in German. Professor Dave Limburg found the workshop impressive. "I can't believe what these students were able to produce in German in just two hours," Limburg said.

Welsh presented her final talk in the Gallery Tues. evening, this time in English. Besides sharing excerpts of her work, she told of how she was led to writing. "Between the ages of five and seven, I learned to listen," Welsh said. "Not only with my ears, but down to my toes. And that became my stock in trade."

Eventually, the time for

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The Trustees announced a new strategic plan for the school last week.

## Trustees discuss plan

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The Board of Trustees, the body that makes major decisions and provides much of the school's financial support, met last weekend. While here, the trustees spend

most of their time in meetings with the faculty, staff, and administration of the school. They also had the opportunity to meet and talk with students.

The two top items of the weekend were the capital campaign, which was kicked off at the President's Dinner at the Marriot

on Thursday night and then announced to the full community on Friday, Sept. 24, and the new strategic plan for the college.

The strategic plan, which has been in development for several months, is a long-range plan for the

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## \$24.2 million raised

By Marjorie Hall  
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On Friday, Sept. 24, President Don McNemar and the Board of Trustees formally announced the kickoff of the \$50 million capital campaign on the Founders porch, passing out buttons and towels that read "Our Time in History." The capital campaign is the largest fundraising effort in the school's history.

The last campaign for Guilford, which had a goal of \$10 million, ended in 1988 after \$12 million was raised. "We are not just going to reach this fundraising goal, but surpass it," said trustee Bob Ingram.

At the kickoff, the school had almost made it halfway to its goal, with commitments for \$24.2 million. \$10 million of that money has been raised from

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The capital campaign was formally announced during Friday's Our Time in History presentation.

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